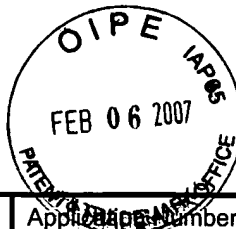


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Group Art Unit	3663
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**REQUEST FOR AN ORAL HEARING BEFORE THE BOARD OF APPEALS**

Sir:

Applicants hereby respectfully request an oral hearing before the Board of Appeals for presenting arguments in connection with the above-identified application.

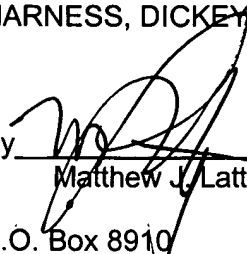
A check in the amount of \$1,000.00 is attached for the fee for filing a request for an Oral Hearing before the Board of Appeals.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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